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SUBJECT: SADAT MEETS PLO COMMAND

1. SADAT HAD HIGHLY PUBLICIZED MEETING MARCH 21 WITH NEW PLO EXCOMM AND OTHER RANKING PLO MEMBERS. FROM READING PRESS ACCOUNTS, IT WOULD APPEAR SADAT TOOK SOMEWHAT SHARP TONE ON AT LEAST TWO ISSUES: THE USELESSNESS OF SLOGANEERING AND THE NECESSITY OF PRODUCING A PUBLIC ARTICULATE STATEMENT ON LINKAGE WITH JORDAN.

2. PRESIDENT IS QUOTED AS SAYING PALESTINIANS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO MAKE CONCESSIONS WHILE ISRAEL OCCUPIES (PART OF) THEIR HOMELAND AND OFFERED CARRY PNC VIEWS TO PRESIDENT CARTER. ARAFAT REPORTEDLY STRESSED ARTICLE 15 OF NEW PNC STATEMENT (CAIRO 4798) NOTING PLO WANTS PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE, AS EMBODIED IN UN RES 3236.

3. NEW EXCOMM MEMBER DAJANI TOLD SADAT THAT IN VIEW OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S EMPHASIS ON HUMAN RIGHTS HE HOPED PRESIDENT CARTER WOULD
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RAISE ISSUES OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS IN ISRAEL PRISONS, ISRAELI VIOLATIONS OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS ON PALESTINIAN TERRITORY.

4. OTHER SPEAKERS WERE REPORTEDLY LESS CONCILIATORY. INDEPENDENT ABU MAYZAR, FOR EXAMPLE, COMPLAINED USG STILL IGNORES PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND "FONMIN" QADDUMI COMPLAINED "PROJECTED AMERICAN SETTLE-

MENTS" IGNORE "FACTS OF SITUATION".

5. ON LEBANON, ARAFAT REPORTEDLY SAID CAIRO ACCORDS SHOULD BE APPLIED IN LETTER AND IN SPIRIT. WHILE PLO APPRECIATES SARG'S CIRCUMSTANCES, PLO ALSO INSISTS ON TRUE INTERPRETATION. SADAT AGREED AND SAID HE WILL UNDERTAKE "URGENT CONTACTS" IN THIS RESPECT. ARAFAT RESUMED TO STRESS DETERIORATING SITUATION IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. HE CLAIMED ISRAEL IS SEEKING INVOLVE SYRIA IN A BATTLE "THE RESULTS OF WHICH ARE NOT CAREFULLY CALCULATED." PLO APPRECIATES STAND OF PRESIDENT ASAD BUT IT IS NOT RATIONAL THAT PALESTINANS "BE LEFT ALONE IN THE BATTLE WITHOUT SUPPLIES NECESSARY EITHER TO CONFRONT ENEMY OR TO DEFEND THEIR HOMES."
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